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SUBJECT: BIENNIAL MEETING OF OPANAL GENERAL CONFERENCE

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. EMBASSY HAS BEEN FORMALLY ADVISED BY OPANAL SECRETARIAT THAT FOURTH GENERAL CONFERENCE OF OPANAL WILL CONVENE IN MEXICO CITY BEGINNING APRIL 15. AS IN PAST, USG IS INVITED TO NAME REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO TAKE PART AS OBSERVERS AT THAT MEETING. OPANAL ASKS THAT SUCH DESIGNATIONS REACH SECRETARIAT NO LATER THAN APRIL 5. END UNCLASSIFIED.

2. DEPUTY OPANAL SEC GEN GONZALEZ DE LEON HAS GIVEN US FOLLOWING RUN-DOWN ON AGENDA ITEMS WHICH MIGHT BE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO USG (FULL AGENDA BEING POUCHED TO ACDA/VAN DOREN):

A. ITEM 7, DEALING WITH STATUS OF TREATY AND ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS; WILL PROBABLY TOUCH UPON FACT THAT U.S. HAS NOT ADHERED TO PROTOCOL I AND PRODUCE NEW PRESSURES FOR U.S. ADHERENCE.

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B. ITEM 10 (A), ON SAFEGUARDS AND RELATIONS WITH

IAEA, MAY RESULT IN RENEWED PRESSURES ON CERTAIN
NON-CONFORMING MEMBER COUNTRIES TO SIGN SAFEGUARD AGREEMENTS
WITH IAEA.

C. ITEM 10 (B), ON SAFEGUARD REPORTING, WILL PROBABLY
PRODUCE REPETITION OF PANAMA'S DISCLAIMER FOR CONTROLLING
NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES IN CANAL ZONE. DEPT WILL RECALL THAT
SIMILAR SITUATION AROSE LAST YEAR AND WAS LAID TO REST BY
MEANS OF LETTER TO OPANAL SECRETARIAT FROM AMBASSADOR PROVIDING
REASSURANCES THAT NO PROHIBITED ACTIVITY HAD OCCURRED IN CZ
WITHIN CONTEXT OF PROTOCOL II (MEXICO 6565 OF 8/2/74;
STATE 174097 OF 8/9/75). U.S. REPS MAY BE ASKED TO PROVIDE
SIMILAR ASSURANCES THIS YEAR.

D. ITEM 12, DEALING WITH POSSIBLE RELATIONS BETWEEN OPANAL
AND OTHER NFZ'S, MAY REFLECT RESULTS OF UN-SPONSORED
EXPERTS' MEETING IN GENEVA BEGINNING APRIL 7 (GONZALEZ DE
LEON WILL ATTEND THOSE MEETINGS FOR OPANAL).

E. ITEM 19, USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES,
WILL PROBABLY FOCUS ON EXPANDING OPANAL FUND DESIGNED TO
FURTHER RESEARCH IN THIS FIELD. GONZALEZ -- PROTECT --
SAID THAT VENEZUELA IS EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE A MAJOR CON-
TRIBUTION TO THIS FUND.

3. ALTHOUGH SCHEDULED FOR "FOUR TO FIVE DAYS," MEETINGS ARE
IN FACT EXPECTED TO WIND UP IN THREE DAYS OR LESS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED:

A. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT AMBASSADOR JOVA BE NAMED USREP
TO OPANAL CONFERENCE, MINISTER ROBERT BRANDIN ALTERNATE REP,
AND EMBOFFS CRIGLER AND ZORN ADVISORS. PLEASE CONFIRM
APPOINTMENTS ASAP. (CF. STATE 150275 7/31/73)

B. WITH RESPECT TO AGENDA ITEM 10(B), PLEASE AUTHORIZE
SUBMISSION OF LETTER BY AMBASSADOR ALONG LINES DESCRIBED
ABOVE, PARA 2(C), IN THE EVENT NEED ARISES.
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